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## AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION

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For:

In response to the Office Action of August 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

# FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS

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### **SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS**

- If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
  If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
  If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
- 4. X If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.